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23rd September, 2004

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Dear Sirs,

Allotment of Shares under the ITC Employee Stock Option Scheme

In terms of the Listing Agreement, we write to advise that the Company on 23rd September, 2004 has issued and allotted 54,447 Ordinary Shares of Rs.10/- each, upon exercise of 54,447 Options by Optionees under the ITC Employee Stock Option Scheme.

Consequently, with effect from 23rd September, 2004, the Issued and Subscribed Share Capital of the Company stands increased to Rs. 247,92,49,020/- divided into 24,79,24,902 Ordinary Shares of Rs. 10/- each.

Yours faithfully, ITC Limited

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(R. K. Singhi)
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